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Brief

authorizing sale of 10 Liberty-type merchant vessels to U.S. citizens for conversion into barges.

The committee referred to its Subcommittee on Communications for study and analysis the proposed reorganization plan of the FCC.

Prior to this action, in open session, hearings were held on the nominations of Mr. Feidler, and Joseph C. Swidler, of Tennessee, and Howard Morgan, of Oregon, both to be members of the FPC, where the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Hearings were also held on S. 1189, authorizing the Coast Guard to carry on certain oceanographic research, with testimony from Vice Adm. James A. Hirshfeld, Assistant Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of John S. Everton, of New York, to be Ambassador to Burma, and Fulton Freeman, of California, to be Ambassador to Colombia; and the International Convention on the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil (Ex. C, 86th Cong., 2d sess.).

Prior to this action, in open session, testimony was received from Messrs. Everton and Freeman in behalf of their own nominations.

The committee also held hearings on S.J. Res. 75, providing for acceptance by the U.S. of the Agreement for Establishment of the Caribbean Organization, receiving testimony from Resident Commissioner A. Fernós-Isern of Puerto Rico, and John W. Hanes, Jr., U.S. Chairman, Caribbean Commission, who was accompanied by Abram Chayes, Legal Adviser, Department of State; and on the International Telecommunications Convention (Ex. J, 86th Cong., 2d sess.), and Radio Regulations (Ex. I, 86th Cong., 2d sess.), receiving testimony from Edwin M. Martin, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; T. A. M. Craven and Rosel H. Hyde, FCC Commissioners; John Stephen, Air Transport Association; Donald C. Beilar, a D.C. attorney; R. N. White, Trans-World Airlines; and Clarence Rice, Avionic Products, Bendix Radio Corp.

CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the situation in Cuba from Allen W. Dulles, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

INVESTIGATIONS—MISSILE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings to inquire into strikes, work stoppages, excessive costs, and inefficiencies in the missile construction industry, with testimony from Robert E. Dunne, of the subcommittee's staff, and numerous public witnesses representing various trades and unions engaged in the missile construction industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee resumed its hearings on constitutional rights of the mentally ill in criminal cases, having as its witnesses Lawrence Speiser, American Civil Liberties Union; Oliver Gasch, formerly U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths Hospital; Abe Krash, a D.C. attorney; and Leon Salzman, M.D., a psychiatrist, Georgetown University Medical School.

Hearings continue on Thursday, May 4.

IDENTICAL BIDDING IN ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its inquiry into identical bidding in the electrical manufacturing industry, having as its witness William S. Ginn, former vice president and general manager of the General Electric Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

EDUCATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Education, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1021, to provide Federal assistance for public school facilities.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 6744-6766; 7 private bills, H.R. 6767-6773; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 399, H. Con. Res. 231 and 232, and H. Res. 273 and 274, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 3935, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, to provide

coverage for employees of large enterprises engaged in retail trade or service and of other employers engaged in commerce or in the production of goods for commerce, and to increase the minimum wage under the act to \$1.25 an hour (H. Rept. 327);

1961 Joint Economic Report of the Joint Economic Committee (H. Rept. 328); and

H. Res. 274, open rule providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H.R. 6441, to provide for a

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate committee approved Inter-American Program appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Wednesday, May 3, at 11 a.m.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H.R. 6518, making appropriations for the Inter-American Social and Economic Cooperation Program.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for the Department of Agriculture, with testimony on funds for the Agricultural Research Service, from Frank J. Welch, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Byron T. Shaw, Administrator, M. R. Clarkson, Associate Administrator, and other officials of the Agricultural Research Service, and Charles L. Grant, Office of Budget and Finance; and on funds for the Farmer Cooperative Service, with testimony from Mr. Welch, and Dr. Joseph G. Knapp, Administrator, Farmer Cooperative Service.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with testimony on funds for other Agriculture Department agencies.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for Defense, with testimony on funds for personnel of the Naval Establishment from Vice Adm. William R. Smedberg III, Chief of Naval Personnel; Maj. Gen. Alpha F. Bowser, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, U.S. Marine Corps; and Brig. Gen. William T. Fairbourn, Director, Marine Corps Reserve.

Hearings continue tomorrow on funds for Air Force personnel.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H.R. 6345, fiscal 1962 appropria-

tions for the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, with testimony from Senator Burdick, Representative Berry, Ivan A. Nestingen, Under Secretary of HEW, and Dr. James R. Shaw, Chief, Division of Indian Health, HEW, all of whom directed their remarks to Indian health matters; D. Otis Beasley, Administrative Assistant Secretary, and Charles S. Stoddard, technical review staff, both of the Department of the Interior, on funds for the Office of the Secretary; former Senator Arthur V. Watkins, Chief Commissioner, Indian Claims Commission, in behalf of funds for his department; and Leonard Carmichael, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, who testified in behalf of funds for his department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on fiscal 1962 budget estimates for public works, having as its witnesses Maj. Gen. William F. Cassidy, Director of Civil Works, Office of the Chief of Engineers, and Brig. Gen. R. G. MacDonnell, division engineer, South Pacific division, both of the Army.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Ernest R. Feidler for promotion to rear admiral in the U.S. Coast Guard; 226 other nominations in the Coast Guard; without amendment H.R. 2457, to amend the Merchant Marine Act in order to clarify the construction subsidy provisions with respect to reconstruction, reconditioning, and conversion; and S. 1222, relating to the documentation and inspection of U.S. vessels; and with amendment S. 1289, to eliminate the oath requirement with respect to certain export manifests; S. 684, to amend the Communications Act with respect to the painting and illumination of radio towers; S. 1183, providing for the reimbursement of certain vessel construction expenses; S. 1185, to amend the Merchant Marine Act so as to authorize the expenditure from certain capital reserve funds of certain amounts for research, development, and design expenses; and S.J. Res. 21,